Our Members are a coalition of nearly 40 unions, labor-allied organizations, and individual activists.

Our Mission is to establish a sustainable, secure, and just healthcare system through education, mobilization, and advocacy within the labor movement and beyond.



## Establish a **SUSTAINABLE** healthcare system

- Health insurance premiums have grown four times faster than wages. This growth is unsustainable and costs continue to be shifted onto workers through increased co-pays and deductibles.
- Our healthcare system places a significant burden on the U.S. economy and businesses. We spend almost twice as much per capita on healthcare than other industrialized countries.
- Federal healthcare reform leaves insurance companies firmly entrenched in the system and does not effectively control costs.

## Win healthcare **SECURITY**

- When workers lose their jobs or become ill and can no longer work, they're forced to pay expensive COBRA premiums or are left to fend for themselves in the individual market. No one should be forced to choose between continuing their healthcare coverage and their basic needs.
- Federal healthcare reform continues an employer-based system in which it will soon be cheaper for businesses to pay a fine for not insuring their employees than to cover them.

## Promote a JUST healthcare system

- Many of our fellow members and co-workers hold part-time, temporary/seasonal jobs or do
  freelance work and are not able to meet the threshold for employer-sponsored healthcare. Our own
  brothers and sisters are often forced to go without coverage.
- Federal healthcare reform expands a system in which people have different levels of care. Millions are still uninsured and underinsured.

Labor United for Universal Healthcare is working toward a future in which healthcare is no longer tied to employment.

Urge your union or organization to join us! We provide speakers, trainings, materials, and volunteer opportunities to get involved in the fight for a sustainable, secure, and just healthcare system for all.

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Resolution 34, "The Social Insurance Model for Health Care Reform," passed at the 2009 AFL-CIO

Convention

"All families deserve the security of a

universal health care system that

quarantees access based on need rather

than income. Health care is a fundamental

human right and an important measure of social justice."